IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly rewrite Claims 1, 5 and 9 as set forth below. All of the claims currently pending and their status is presented below.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, in which plant leaves are immersed in a dehydrating solvent, to <u>dissolve out chlorophyll and</u> replace the tissue water of the leaves by the dehydrating solvent, subsequently immersed in a permeating solution containing polyethylene glycol and acetone, for allowing polyethylene glycol to permeate for replacing the dehydrating solvent, and dyed with a coloring matter, <u>characterized in that said wherein the</u> dehydrating solvent is a mixture consisting of acetone and ethyl alcohol.
- (Original) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 1, wherein the coloring matter is obtained by adding a yellow coloring matter to a green coloring matter or blue coloring matter.
- 3. (Previously Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 1, wherein the coloring matter is a food dye.
- 4. (Previously Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the green coloring matter is Alizarine Cyanine Green F.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the blue coloring matter is Acid blue 80 (Aldrich).
- 6. (Previously Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant eaves, according to

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- claim 2, wherein the yellow coloring matter is Tartrazine.
- 7. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 2, wherein the coloring matter is a food dye.
- 8. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the green coloring matter is Alizarine Cyanine Green F.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the blue coloring matter is Acid blue 80 (Aldrich).
- 10. (Previously Presented) A treatment method for preservation of plant leaves, according to claim 3, wherein the yellow coloring matter is Tartrazine.